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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Communications Act of 1934.

- 1. 47 U.S.C. 301 states, "It is the purpose of this chapter, among other things, to maintain the control of the United States over all the channels of interstate and foreign radio transmission; and to provide for the use of such channels ... under licenses granted by Federal authority. No person shall use or operate any apparatus for the transmission of energy, or communications, or signals by radio ... (c) from any place in any state ... or in the District of Columbia ... to any place in any foreign country ... except ... with a license in that behalf granted under the provisions of this chapter."
- 2. Section 303 provides, "... the Commission ... shall ... have authority to suspend the license of any operator upon proof sufficient to satisfy the Commission that the licensee (a) has violated any provision of any Act, Treaty, or Convention binding on the United States, which the Commission is authorized to administer, or any regulation made by the Commission under any such Act, Treaty or Convention ..."
- 3. Section 305 provides that "radio stations belonging to and operated by the United States shall not be subject to the provisions of Sections 301 and 303 of this chapter, but ... all such Government stations shall use such frequencies as shall be assigned ... and shall conform to such rules and regulations designed to prevent interference with other radio stations and the rights of others as the Commission shall prescribe."
- 4. Section 310 provides, "the station license required hereby shall not be granted to or held by -- (2) any foreign government or the representative thereof.

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